# East Coventry Township Historical Commission June 27, 2007 Minutes Scheduled Meeting Minutes

<u>Attendance</u>: Gail Brown (Chairman), Mary E. Brower (Vice Chairman), Elaine Preston (Secretary) absent, Ann Keen (Member), Lynn Coine (Member), Phyllis Snyder (Member), Roy Kolb (Planning Commission Liaison) absent

Meeting called to order 7:00 PM.

# **Minutes**

P. Snyder motioned to accept the minutes of June 13, 2007. M. Brower seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

# **Public Comment**

L. Tietjen, 131 Maack Road (Maack Residential)

- L. Tietjen wanted to read the letter from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission dated May 1, 2007. This Commission states that changing the stone wall will have an effect on the eligibility of his farm house for the National Register of Historic Places. They recommend "preserving the stone wall and develop additional landscaping to screen the new constructions for the historic buildings."
- An April 23, 2007 letter from the Board of Supervisors of East Coventry
  Township to Mr. Gambone states: "A Landscape Architect is to work the 410
  footage (section to be removed) into the landscape in a structured manner and
  keep the stone on the original (Maack Road) side of the road. Please provide this
  information in your plans for review."
- The East Coventry Historic Commission made available to L. Tietjen a letter from Conver and Smith of June 8, 2007 responding to the May 1, 2007 letter.
- At the present time the Wineberry Estates landscape drawings do not show the reuse of the stones from the wall. G. Brown will write a letter to Conver and Smith for clarification of how the landscape drawings are to show the stone reuse.
- L. Tietjen would like to obtain a copy of the Historic Resource Impact Study of his property. It was recommended he contact Estelle Cremers for more information.
- Mr. Tietjen addressed his concerns to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Doering stated he specifically asked the reuse of the stone removed from the stone wall be shown on the drawings. Also, the Township will include Mr. Tietjen in all correspondence and issues relating to the Maack Residential property. They also recommended he contact the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission and Gambone Development.

# **Subdivision and Land Development**

Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO) Interpretation

Walt Woessner (Planning Commission) sent a copy of his interpretation of the SALDO as relates to Historical Resources at Sketch Plan Stage to G. Brown which was distributed and discussed by the East Coventry Historical Commission.

#### Mack Residential

Discussed with L. Tietjen.

#### Bealer Subdivision

A copy of a letter was distributed to Mr. Dennis and Mr. Emerson Bealer requesting permission and a date to take photographs of the structures which are going to be torn down. We also would be grateful for any originals and documents (or copies) representing the architecture and cultural history of the property.

P. Snyder motioned to accept the letter and M. Brower seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### Painter Tract

Only townhouses will be built on this property. Tabled for further review of plans.

Neuman Subdivision (Ridgefield Estates) - Tabled for further review of plans.

#### Stone/Manley

Submitted for Preliminary/Final Plan Minor Subdivision

Hidden Acres - Tabled for further review of plans.

#### **Calendars**

- L. Coine (Parker Ford Station) will contact places where calendars might be sold. A.Keen will contact Kolb's Farm Store.
- A. Keen and P. Snyder had samples of the posters developed for advertisement of the calendars. One was selected. P. Snyder will make 20-25 copies.
- Calendars will be delivered the middle of July.

# **Discussion Items**

- . Guest Speaker Program for presentation by Chester County Historical Commission.
- M. Brower made the motion to select "Old Photos".
   A. Keen seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Chester County Historical Society Speakers Bureau will provide speaker.
- The date will be set at a future meeting.

# **Mailing of Bulletins**

E. Preston contacted the Chester County Historical Preservation Network regarding the lack of receipt of bulletins to all members of our Historical Commission. They are correcting distribution of bulletins.

### **Historic Resource Map**

E. Preston has a list of all homes built from 1900-1957.

A. Keen and P. Snyder have just about completed Estelle Cremer's List. All members of East Coventry Historic Commission will be consolidating efforts to complete the map.

# **Reimbursements Requests**

All financial reimbursements should be turned into the Township and a copy given to E. Preston for record keeping.

# Chester County Parks and Recreation Town Tours and Village Walks 2007

G. Brown contacted other neighboring townships to see if they wanted any help. East Nantmeal has responded for their tour on July 26, 2007.

# **Pottstown Historic and Cultural Event**

P. Snyder attended and reported that most of the information was on Montgomery County and was not very helpful for our Historical Commission.

#### Adjournment

L. Coine motioned to adjourn.

M. Brower seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15.

Respectfully Submitted,

Phyllis Snyder (Substitute Secretary) East Coventry Township Historical Commission